



10 May 2016

Dear Health and Wellbeing Board members,

I am writing following the last Ageing Well Programme Board (3 May 2016).

At that meeting the Programme Board discussed the legacy for the Ageing Well Torbay programme, and the fact that currently Ageing Well is operating without a locally agreed wider strategy. That is to say there is no current strategy for Torbay older people nor the local response to our ageing population.

In particular the Programme Board noted and agreed the following:

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- ❖ *For Ageing Well to sit within a strategic framework is important. There is currently no active strategic document responding to the needs and opportunities of an ageing population in Torbay, despite the fact that we are where the rest of the country is expected to be in 30 years time, with 1 retiree to 2 working age people, with just under 50% of our population over 50. This kind of strategy should sit with the auspices of a strategic partnership to ensure buy in from a wide range of partners, but in its absence fits most suitably with the Health and Wellbeing Board.*
 - ❖ *In its approach to the work of the Ageing Well Torbay programme the Programme Board has articulated key principles:*
 - ❖ ***Model way of working for others to follow***
 - ❖ ***Champion sustainable change***
 - ❖ ***Ensure there is a clear strategy***
 - ❖ *In the light of the above, the Programme Board agreed to make an offer to the Health and Wellbeing Board to lead the development of an Ageing Strategy for Torbay, in an engaging way, modelling good practice strategy development. Our approach will be informed by a partnership health check, which again models a reflective way of working.*
 - ❖ *Recommendation: Under the auspices of the Health and Wellbeing Board, Ageing Well Torbay would like to propose taking the lead in developing a five-year Ageing Strategy for Torbay, for consideration by the Health and Wellbeing Board in March 2017.*

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to consider its response to the proposal.

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